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SENATE BILL

No. 823

Introduced by Senators Karnette and Alpert

February 21, 2003

An act relating to students.

LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL'S DIGEST

SB 823, as amended, Karnette. Adult education.

Existing law provides that adult basic education and the high school diploma program are the responsibility of high school districts and unified school districts, except where the responsibility is assigned to a community college district by mutual agreement. Existing law further provides that programs for adults involving postsecondary programs that meet the standards prescribed by the Board of Governors of the California Community Colleges for credit and noncredit courses are the responsibility of community college districts. Existing law further provides for vocational, occupational, and continuing education training for adults in high school districts, unified school districts, and community college districts.

This bill would state the intent of the Legislature to subsequently; amend this bill to include ~~provision~~ *provisions* that would provide adequate funds that will enable each adult education provider to give priority to courses in basic education, English as a second language, and vocational training, to establish reciprocity of instruction credentials in the adult education systems by ~~encourages~~ *encouraging* the ~~State Board of Education~~ *Commission on Teacher Credentialing* and the Board of

Governors of the California Community Colleges, on or before June 1, 2004, to jointly establish minimum qualifications that will permit an instructor to teach adult education courses in a high school district, unified school district, or community college district, and to encourage the State Board of Education to develop skill standards for adult education programs similar to those developed by the National Skills Standards Board (NSSB), the Secretary's Commission on Achieving Necessary Skills (SCANS), and Equipped for the Future.

Vote: majority. Appropriation: no. Fiscal committee: no. State-mandated local program: no.

The people of the State of California do enact as follows:

- 1 SECTION 1. It is the intent of the Legislature to subsequently
- 2 amend this act to include provisions that would do all of the
- 3 following:
- 4 (a) Provide adequate funds that will enable each high school
- 5 district, unified school district, and community college district
- 6 providing adult education to give priority to courses in basic
- 7 education, English as a second language, and vocational training.
- 8 (b) To establish reciprocity of instruction credentials in the
- 9 adult education system by encouraging the ~~State Board of~~
- 10 ~~Education~~ *Commission on Teacher Credentialing* and the Board of
- 11 Governors of the California Community Colleges, on or before
- 12 June 1, 2004, to jointly establish minimum qualifications that will
- 13 permit an instructor to teach adult education courses in a high
- 14 school district, unified school district, or community college
- 15 district.
- 16 (c) To encourage the State Board of Education to develop skill
- 17 standards for adult education programs similar to those developed
- 18 by the National Skills Standards Board (NSSB), the Secretary's
- 19 Commission on Achieving Necessary Skills (SCANS), and
- 20 Equipped for the Future.

